

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2491 - SB 2996

April 9, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Board of Pharmacy to track duplicate narcotics prescriptions to the same recipient or household and forward the information to the TennCare Bureau or other third-party payers. TennCare is to withhold a percent of the capitation payment to MCOs when there is a pattern of abuse.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$303,500 Recurring
\$125,000 One-Time**

Impact includes one position and related costs in the Department of Commerce and Insurance to process prescription information and seven positions and related costs in the TennCare Bureau to audit MCO medical records for abuses.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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